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In re U.S. Patent Application of: )  
G. Manderfield, Jr. and Ted L. Beaver )  
Serial No.: 09/603,255 )  
Filed: June 23, 2000 )  
For: MOLDABLE PLASTIC )  
CONTAINER WITH )  
HOURGLASS PROFILE )

Examiner: N. Eloshway  
Group Art Unit: 3727

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AMENDMENT B

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The remarks below are provided in response to the Final Office Action dated May 21, 2002. Applicants believe this response has been timely filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7 and § 1.8. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3140.



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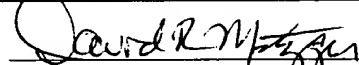
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